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## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

1. (Currently Amended) A torque limiter, comprising:

a first rotatable body rotatable around a rotation shaft as a center of rotation; and

a second rotatable body rotatable around the rotation shaft as a center of rotation;

wherein:

the first rotatable body includes one of a magnet and a hysteresis plate; the second rotatable body includes the other of the magnet and the hysteresis plate;

the magnet and the hysteresis plate face each other;

the first rotatable body and the second rotatable body are in contact with each other; and

no wall is provided an unobstructed path exists in a plane perpendicular to the rotation shaft between the rotation shaft and a contact area at which the first rotatable body and the second rotatable body are in contact with each other.

- 2. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, wherein the contact area is closer to the first rotatable body than a portion of the second rotatable body, the portion being inner to the contact area.
- 3. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, wherein the contact area is closer to the first rotatable body than an edge of an inner circumferential surface of the second rotatable body, the edge facing the first rotatable body.
- 4. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, wherein the contact area is in an identical plane to a portion of the second rotatable body, the portion being inner to the contact area.

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- 5. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, wherein the contact area is in an identical plane to an edge of an inner circumferential surface of the second rotatable body, the edge facing the first rotatable body.
- 6. (Original) A toque limiter according to claim 1, wherein: the first rotatable body includes a first contact portion; and the second rotatable body includes a second contact portion which is contactable with the first contact portion at the contact area.
- 7. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 6, wherein each of the first contact portion, the second contact portion, and the rotation shaft is coated with a lubricant.
- 8. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 6, wherein the first contact portion, the second contact portion, and the rotation shaft are coated with an identical lubricant.
- 9. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 6, wherein one of the first contact portion and the second contact portion is a metal washer.
- 10. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, further comprising a yoke in contact with the magnet.
- 11. (Original) A torque limiter according to claim 1, wherein the torque limiter is a reel stand.